

SOCIETY

WITH the White House deserted and the Cabinet family again disbanded, Washington life no longer has an attraction, and one again turns to the gay life of resorts for gossip.

The departure of the Postmaster General and Mrs. Payne this morning removes almost the last semblance of official life from town for the present, and while neither the President nor members of his Cabinet lent a social phase by their presence here, one felt that everything was not flat, and that something might happen.

The topics of talk at resorts, wherever a contingent of Washington people is gathered, turns naturally to the coming season here, and the various reforms to be instituted within the winter. It is said—just as it was said last year—that society here tended far too much to the spectacular and bizarre to suit the dignity of official society, and that ambassadors and Senators and Representatives cutting up high jinks, and grandmothers in little girl dresses and heads full of nonsense, must go. Other topics of interest are for shorter and smaller dinner parties, and in official society for a return to the old custom of holding fast to the matter of precedent. The Senator's wife who tries to disassociate official obligations and social affairs to the detriment of the former will be taboed.

Another subject which will create an upheaval socially is that of the obligations of young diplomatists to official society. The diplomatist, no matter how much of a social lion he may be, will not be invited into official homes where he has not first paid his respects as set down in the social code. Miss Keane, Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, and others started this movement last year, but with little success, so a double effort will be made for it next season.

At both Newport and Bar Harbor there was almost undue bustle in a social way Friday. Newport had its yacht races, the Astor Cup being the coveted prize, and at night Mrs. Herman Oelrichs' semi-white ball, preceded by dinners and dinners and dinners, occupied the time almost until dawn of day.

If anything happened to mar the beauty of the "white ball," it was the black coats of the men, for it is said the men, headed by Ellisha Dyer, Jr., concluded that if Harry Lehr wanted to wear a white coat and knee pants, he might, but they would wear their regulation dress suits. It was just as well, after all, for for almost the first time at Newport the guests could distinguish the visitors from the waiters, the latter being toggled in white yachting suits and white shoes.

It was a pretty affair, the white ball. The ballroom itself is in white and gold, and for this occasion was decorated in white lilies. The gowns of all the women were white, and most of them were powdered hair. Mrs. Oelrichs wore a magnificent white satin gown and an elaboration of diamonds. Her sister, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., also wore a white gown, but of chiffon, and diamonds on almost every part of her costume.

Miss Alice Roosevelt wore a graceful, youthful gown of white mull, with a large bouquet of roses at the side. She had no time to prepare a special costume, having received her invitation only last Wednesday after arriving at Newport. The favors for the cotillon were of silver and white leather, and floral gifts, all secured by Mrs. Oelrichs when last in Europe.

Bar Harbor had a scarcely less strenuous time, and official society received quite an ovation. The Secretary of the Navy, Paul Morton, and his party of guests cruising on the Dolphin landed at Bar Harbor Friday noon, and at the show in the afternoon secured a true ovation. The welcome given the Speaker of the House was almost overwhelming.

Lenox, which has been the quietest of all resorts, is reserving for September 17 the most unique affair of all the year. This is the annual Icy Glen parade, when all the guests in that part of the country, wearing white robes and carrying red fire and torches, march through the gloomy glen, giving a truly weird picture, which finishes with a bonfire and Indian dance on the Stockbridge common.

The British ambassador and the attaches of the embassy are lending all their energies to the success of the gymkhana games, to take place at Tanglewood on August 26. The ambassador will introduce a number of Oriental stunts entirely new to Lenox. These will include tent pegging, cutting off the turkey's head, animal races, thread and needle races, carrying dummies, and hurdle and meter races.

Resort life in Virginia is never so captivating as when the people resort to the customs introduced by their forefathers, and last week was no exception, and while the Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs, with its notification committee, and its big ball and supper and other entertainments following, made a brilliant showing for that place, Capon Springs, also in West Virginia, carried out its historic customs and was almost equally as brilliant.

Yesterday at Capon Springs there was the horseback tournament, when every gallant knight wore his lady's colors, and, with spear in hand, took the rings from a pole while riding at full speed, or performed some other similarly difficult feat.

The lucky knight in the grand tournament was Guy Nump, of Virginia, who crowned Miss Edith Burke, of Washington, as Queen of the Tourney, while Miss Florence Worthington, also a popular Washington girl, was crowned second maid of honor. At the ball at the hotel, which followed, Miss Burke, as Queen, led the dance with the Knight of Honor.

Then, too, Capon Springs had a bal poudre last week, when the genuine descendants of the historic characters of Virginia's past wore the gowns and costumes of their ancestors, and puffs, powder, and patches carried one back to Continental days. The Calverts of Maryland and the Lees of Virginia were, of course, most prominent.

Mrs. Lee, of Alexandria, Mrs. Henry, Mrs. Anthony, Mrs. Gadsby, Mrs. Carusi, Mrs. Biglow, Mrs. Hodges, Mrs. Fearn, Mrs. Hasler, and Mrs. Vickery were the matrons and chaperons, while the belles of the ball were the prettiest girls, and, in fact, all of the girls of the resort. Miss Virginia Lee, of Alexandria, with Mr. Vickery, of Baltimore, led the german, this beautiful and patrician beauty winning new laurels for the evening.

While balls and other stately forms of amusements suit the dignified patrons of Virginia resorts very well, there must be something more hilarious for the younger set, and last night Mrs. J. Eakin Gadsby chaperoned a stage party to the River House, located on Capon River, when the merriest and most informal sort of a time was had.

Other Virginia resorts furnished quite as many attractions as did Capon Springs and Greenbrier White Sulphur, and the Old Dominion holds its sway of hundreds of years as an ideal summering place in the hearts of the people.

Social Gossip

A sad little refrain comes to us in the social news from Sorrento, which tells most forcibly of how unexpected was the death of Mrs. Melville W. Fuller, at Sorrento, Wednesday.

Mrs. Fuller had seldom been ill in her life, and had suffered few indispositions serious enough to even temporarily remove her from her social duties. Tuesday afternoon and evening, on August 5, at Sorrento, was devoted to a fair, for the sale of fancy goods, the proceeds to be devoted to the House of the Good Shepherd, at Gardiner, Me. Not only did Mrs. Fuller contribute generously, but she personally attended the table for the sale of sweets, in company with a number of other society women. Her grandchildren also took

an interest, and Mildred Aubrey, who, with her brother, Melville Aubrey, makes her home with her grandparents, Chief Justice and Mrs. Fuller, attended the sale of fancy articles, made by the children of the resort. Four hundred and eighty dollars was realized from the fair, and Mrs. Fuller and her friends were heartily congratulated.

To make life sweeter for the women guests at Hotel Champlain, N. Y., the proprietor of that hostelry not only has the dining-room, corridors, and parlors daily decorated with fresh-cut flowers, but sends a gay bouquet to the rooms of each of the women patrons every morning.

The Misses Cassin, of 1514 Thirtieth Street, Georgetown, who are spending the summer at Capon Springs, W. Va., are among the most courted girls there.



MISS WESTON.

Miss Weston is the only daughter of Brigadier General and Mrs. John F. Weston, the former commissary general of the army, and while she spent the first part of the season quietly at Madison, Conn., with her mother, has recently been one of the most sought for girls of Washington society at all the New England resorts. General Weston left Washington Thursday and has joined his family at Madison.

Their mother was before marriage Miss Mary Tyler, and they are granddaughters and great-granddaughters of the two Admirals Cassin, of Georgetown, in which part of the District their home is still located. Miss Cassin's mysterious badge of beauty is a huge bunch of American Beauty roses worn at dinner each evening.

Yacht racing and luncheon and card parties are the chief diversions at Marblehead Neck, Mass., where a number of Washington people are passing the summer. Among the latest arrivals there from this place are Mrs. D. Jackson, who are at the Boylston; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harnden, at the Oceanide; H. C. Lewis, at the Nantasket, and Col. and Mrs. Malcolm Seaton at the same hotel.

Novelty for entertainment at summer resorts seems almost to have reached its limit, especially at Block Island, R. I., where a glass bottomed boat has been built so passengers may view the wonders of the deep as they sail along. The boat is built for about a dozen people, and in the bottom is a piece of French plate glass eight feet long, four inches wide, and about three-quarters of an inch thick. As the waters about Block Island are unusually rich in vegetation the view afforded to lovers of aquatic plants is fine, and the invention a success. The little boat is always in demand by pleasure seekers.

All the summer resorts are running to novelties this season, and, besides a three days' carnival for children the last of this month, Asbury Park last week gave the visitors there the benefit of a barn dance. Saratoga had a Buster Brown party last night, just to clear the atmosphere a little from the too sporting element, and Belmont, L. I., guests also indulged in a barn dance, the guests being so admirably attired as rustics as to give a perfect delusion. Long Branch is getting ready for an automobile carnival to wind up with a floral parade.

Mrs. J. Harry Atchison and her son Warren, of 106 Vermont Avenue, have just returned from a pleasant outing with relatives in Harrison, N. J. They also spent some time in Elizabeth, Asbury Park and Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander E. Beall, of 1643 Thirty-second Street, are entertaining their cousins, the Misses Price, of Philadelphia, who have been summering at Seaside and Asbury Park.

The many friends of Mrs. C. D. Merwin will be pleased to hear she is convalescent after several weeks' serious illness at her residence, 106 Vermont Avenue. Mrs. Merwin has been appointed on the transportation committee for the District of Columbia by Mrs. Augustine T. Smythe, president general of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, for the convention to be held at St. Louis, October 4.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Deyo have returned to their home in this city after a decidedly pleasant vacation spent at Somers Point, near Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Calvin King have returned to the city from a visit to Hampton, where they were the guests of Mrs. King's brother, J. Sterling Beck.

Mrs. L. H. Posey, who has just returned from a trip to St. Louis, Great Lakes, Thousand Islands, and Montreal, will leave Monday, with her niece, Miss Sadie H. Stryker of Capitol Hill, for Atlantic City and Brooklyn, N. Y.

Miss Laura Yeatman, of Georgetown, has returned home after an extended visit of seven weeks with relatives and friends in Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Appletown, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lansburgh and family have returned from an extended Western trip, which included the St. Louis Exposition.

Weddings.

Miss Mabel Conrad and Charles C. Dodge were married Wednesday morning at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Parker. A wedding breakfast was served, the bride changed her wedding gown of white point d'esprit over white silk, for a traveling dress, and with the groom, left town for a wedding journey amid the congratulations of their friends.

After visiting New York, New Haven, and several Eastern cities, Mr. and Mrs. Dodge will return to this city to live.

Miss Mary Wallbach Gardner, of Baltimore, and Carl Orisman, of Washing-

ton, were married Friday afternoon in Baltimore, the ceremony being performed by Rev. John Quirk, S. J., of Loyola College.

At the marriage of Miss Frances Parbee O'Reilly, the daughter of Surg. Gen. Robert Maitland O'Reilly, U. S. A., to Second Lieut. Frederick Bernard Hennessy, of the Artillery Corps, Thursday, at Overbrook, Pa., the ceremony was said to be the first ever performed in the Seminary Chapel, and Archbishop Ryan officiated.

It was a military wedding, the ushers and other army officers present wearing full dress uniform.

A nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. A. J. Schulte, assisted by Rev. Dr. P. J. Garvey and Rev. Dr. William Kieran. The ushers were Major J. R. Keane, Major J. B. Brennan, and Major N. W.

A breakfast followed at the residence of Miss O'Reilly, the bride's aunt, at Overbrook.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Parbee, Mrs. Elliott Evans, and Miss Mary Martin, of Buffalo, N. Y.; John J. Coppinger, U. S. A., retired; Gardner C. Lynn, Oswego, N. Y.; Mrs. Jefferson Randolph Keane, Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs, Miss Virginia Maitland, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Maitland, Miss Alice Powell, and Miss Ennis.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Blumenthal announce the engagement of their daughter, Mabel, to Nathan Kaufman, of Providence, R. I.

The engagement is announced of Miss Minnie Elizabeth Schneider, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Schneider, to William Cecil Ellinger, the wedding to take place early in November.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Keith announce the marriage of their daughter, Alice, to Dr. John Gordon Weston, Jr., of New York city, at Philadelphia, Pa., August 10, 1904.

News at Resorts

Washington people residing at the Chabrier Hotel, Old Point Comfort, during last week were: Miss Nora Phelps, Miss Katherine S. Blackstone, Evan Brown, C. T. Johnson, Mrs. C. T. Johnson, W. C. Long, Joe Harvey, Eugene S. Coleman, R. A. Lynch and family, Charles F. Schneider, Mr. and Mrs. Howard H. Lynne, G. W. Ribble, J. F. Heard, Dr. Frank E. Gibson, Louis E. Ridenour, Mrs. Louis F. Eidenour, Miss Margaret Crowley, Miss Alice Crowley, W. M. Holman, Miss Jessie Holman, R. E. L. Wittinger, Mrs. R. E. L. Wittinger.

Brig. Gen. A. H. Bowman, retired, is spending the summer at Cottage City, Mass., where a number of other army people are stopping.

Mrs. P. M. Dubant is spending the month of August at the Maryland, Asbury Park, and has with her her two nieces, Miss Marie Dill and Miss Louise Dill, of Baltimore, both well known in Washington.

Mrs. Barry Butkley is spending the summer at Capt. May, N. J.

S. M. Pearson is spending his vacation at Atlantic City, at the Clarendon.

Mrs. Le Roy Taylor, formerly of Washington, but now of New York, is spending the summer at the Brunswick, Asbury Park. Mrs. Taylor is accompanied by her two daughters.

Woodbury Blair, having visited various other resorts during the height of the season, is now at Narragansett Pier, a guest at the Gladstone.

Mrs. Nathaniel Berry and her daughter, who are spending the summer at Richfield Springs, are taking a prominent part in all the festivities at that resort.

Percy R. King, who is the guest of Mortimer M. Singer, at Home Farm, one of the most picturesque and beautiful estates in the Berkshires, is an enthusiastic golf player, and last week won the weekly handicap golf match with a score of 80, on the Lenox links.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Leupp are expected to return from abroad in September, to occupy their new home at Trynham, in the Berkshires, for a few



MRS. JOSEPH B. FORAKER AND GRANDSON.

Mrs. Foraker is not only one of the handsomest women in official society, but is the youngest looking grandmother as well. Just now Mrs. Foraker is with Senator Foraker and their family in the Yellowstone Park, and later will stop at one of their favorite Western resorts on their way back home.

The Leupp estate occupies about 100 acres, and is located not far from the home of Richard Watson Gilder, the editor of the "Century Magazine," and Glencoe, the Trynham estate now occupied by "Mark Twain."

Washington people stopping at the Shoreham in Atlantic City are W. B. Daly, Mrs. E. E. Eaton, Miss Eaton, Mrs. S. W. Walker, Mrs. Boynton, and F. D. Smith. At the Seaside are Miss C. B. Caffery and Miss E. Hutchinson, and at Seaside, J. G. Awler.

Miss Helen M. Spencer, of Washington, who is spending the summer at the Hotel Lotus, St. Lawrence Park, Thousand Islands, is one of the most popular young women there, and last week led the annual cotillon at that hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Levy are at the Pierpont, Atlantic City, for a visit.

Miss Rosa Coleman and Miss Belle Goldman start from St. Louis for a visit to Chicago and Cincinnati.

J. H. Corning is spending some days in Atlantic City at the Dennis.

Mrs. Thomas Fisher and children are spending August at Atlantic City, where they will be joined from time to time by Mr. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Al. Hecht and Miss Cora Colman will leave Atlantic City for Philadelphia and will also stop at Baltimore.

Miss Maimie Seitz and Miss Gertrude McGowan are spending their vacation at Colonial Beach, and will return to Washington about September 1.

Brig. Gen. Robert M. O'Reilly, whose home is in Washington, sailed from New York today for England.

Capon Springs

Washington is still well represented at Capon, and its people take a prominent part in all the social events. An unusually congenial company keep things going at a lively rate. The annual german given by Mrs. Joseph K. Garz, of New Orleans, was one of the most brilliant private entertainments of the past week. The guests included from Washington were: Mrs. James McV. Mackall, Miss Daisy Mackall, the Misses Worthington, Mrs. N. M. Burke, Miss Edith Burke, Mrs. J. W. Smith, Mrs.

M. D. O'Connell, Mrs. W. H. Groscup, Mrs. Malcolm Hurty, Mrs. Richard Lee Fearn, Mrs. F. A. Bonn, Miss Helen Cassin, Miss Hutchinson, Paul Mackall, John A. Browning, Jr., George S. Coleman, D. Barton Mackall and W. H. Groscup.

One of the largest and most enjoyable card parties given this season, where the prizes and general arrangements were especially handsome, was by Miss Daisy Mackall, of Washington, to a number of her friends.

Informal suppers at Capon Inn continue to be a fad. Among the most delightful of these was one given by H. J. Nesbit, which was chaperoned by Mrs. J. Eakin Gadsby, of Washington, and which included, among others, Miss Helen Cassin, of Washington. The waiters in the hotel gave a very enjoyable minstrel show in the ballroom last Monday evening.

Tennis continues to be popular, and as soon as one tournament is played off another is arranged. Among the outdoor amusements, the lawn game of "bowls" is having a run at present. William Burke, of Washington, is one of the best bowlers in the ten-pin alleys.

Recent arrivals from Washington are: John A. Browning, Jr., H. Lanbrench, Dr. W. R. DuBose and A. H. Stevens.

Virginia Resorts

Life at Bluemont was made pleasant Tuesday night by a dance at Rosemore cottage, when Washington was well represented. The scene was made gay by the use of color lanterns, and the supper was served on the lawn.

The chaperons were Mrs. William Humphrey, Mrs. B. S. McKinley, Mrs. William McKinley, Mrs. Arthur Hodgkins, Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Bailey, and Mrs. Rann. Among the girls from Washington who danced were the Misses Sanderson, Miss Boyd, Miss Martindale, Miss Gould, Miss Sanderson, Miss Kennan, Miss Stevens, Miss Guerdun, Miss Kerns, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. Smith, and Mrs. Wilmer. Among the men were Gillespie Blaine, Glenn Brown, Frank Humphrey, Robert Humphrey, Luther Humphrey, Mr. Bridges, Mr. Hardesty, Mr. Luke, Mr. Sanderson, Mr. Funkhausen, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Osborne, and Frank Evans. Miss Jane Boyd, of Washington, who

spent two weeks here with her sisters, the Misses Boyd, has returned to that city, and will later go to Boston, and then to the World's Fair at St. Louis. Mr. and Mrs. Holcomb, of Washington, arrived at the Blue Ridge Inn yesterday.

Chit-Chat.

The Chinese minister, Sir Liang, left Washington Friday evening accompanied by his young daughter and sons, and will spend a month at Amherst, Mass. He was in the city but a few hours, having returned here from Mexico Friday morning.

Senor Don Carlos C. Arosemena, charge d'affaires of Panama, will leave the city today for New York, to be absent three or four weeks. His vacation will be spent at Long Branch.

W. S. Carroll and his young daughter, Miss Grace F. Carroll, of 179 Massachusetts Avenue, have closed their house and gone to the Mount Washington in the Breton Woods for the rest of the summer. Since the death of Mrs. Carroll several years ago, Mr. Carroll and his daughter have lived retired from society, and their advent in the social world next winter will be a great addition to society here.

Mrs. Van Haarke and daughters have left the city for Asbury Park, where they will remain for the month of August.

M. M. Langhorn has left Washington for Narragansett Pier, and during his visit there will stop at the Imperial.

The Misses Donn, of Sixteenth Street, have gone to Asbury Park for August and are at the Brunswick.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Woods have gone to Atlantic City and are stopping at the Iroquois.

Mrs. G. T. Phillips is spending some time at the Seaside Hotel, Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Garrison have gone to Atlantic City for a visit, and while there will make their home at the Dennis.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Ford, Miss Ford, and M. E. Ford have gone to Atlantic City for a visit, and are stopping at the Grand Atlantic.

C. B. Rheem will spend a part of his vacation at Atlantic City, stopping at the Holmhurst.

Mrs. Christine Walton Dunlap has gone to Boston, after spending the summer in Virginia. Mrs. Dunlap is greatly interested in the G. A. R., and owns the surrender house at Appomattox.

Henry B. Polkholm left the city yesterday for an extended trip to the Pacific Coast. After visiting the prin-

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